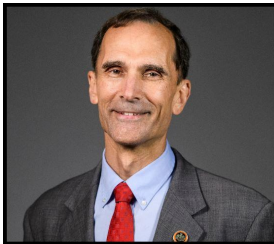


December 3, 2019



As the Board year winds down, it is with sadness that I say goodbye to our departing Board members **Supervisors John Cook, Cathy Hudgins, Linda Smyth** and most of all, **Chairman Sharon Bulova**. The County Board is a generally **cohesive team that shares similar values and goals**, and strives hard to make Fairfax County the best place to live, learn, work and play. I **wish my colleagues the very best as they move on to new adventures!**

At this week's Board of Supervisors meeting, the Board **accepted several reports**, including the [Public Library Annual Report](#), the Electoral Board Report, the [Environmental Quality Advisory Council \(EQAC\) Annual Report](#) and a report from the Racial Equity Stakeholder Council. The Board also adopted the 2020 Legislative Program. Of note, the **EQAC report** called for the County to develop and implement a **Climate Adaptation/Resilience Plan**. Later in the day, as part of a Green Building Code Amendment, the **Planning Commission** also called for the County to develop and implement a **Climate Adaption and Resilience Plan** and to review the County's green building policy with consideration of moving to a **higher LEED standard and/or net zero energy standard**. Additionally our **legislative program** endorsed a number of green initiatives and policies, to include a new position to use **carbon pricing to incentivize market forces to decrease the use of fossil fuels**. I will continue to **be a leader** on the Board to move more quickly to **mitigate the effects of climate change** and to **plan for adaptation and resiliency**.

### **Top 5 Things You Need to Know from the BOS Meeting:**

1. Adopted the **2020 Federal and State Legislative Program**.
2. Approved **Connector Bus service changes** in the District.
3. Approved a submission of a funding request for additional funds for the **Richmond Highway Widening** and **Bus Rapid Transit projects**.
4. Discussed future **Adaptation and Resiliency Planning**.
5. Held an **outgoing Board member reception** at the end of the meeting.

Finally, I invite you to join us for the **Mount Vernon District Holiday Open House** this **Thursday, December 5 from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.** at the Mount Vernon Governmental Center!

Respectfully yours in public service,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Dan Storck'.

Dan Storck  
Supervisor, Mount Vernon District  
Fairfax County Board of Supervisors



Please be sure to scroll to the end of this Brief to **see upcoming events and important information** in the District!

**Holiday Open House**

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The following are **highlights from the Board of Supervisors December 3, 2019 meeting**, including items of particular interest to Mount Vernon residents. For additional information, please go to the [County's Board Agenda and Meeting Schedule](#). You may listen to highlights from the Board meeting on your computer or listen directly on iTunes. Subscribe to the podcast, or choose a program and listen in.

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### The Board also recognized and designated:



**Park Authority for receiving the 2019 Gold Medal Award for Excellence in park and Recreation Management**

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To view the December 3, 2019 Board Package [click here](#).

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### Action Items

**Item 4:** Approved an application for **federal Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) and Regional Surface Transportation Program (RSTP) funding** for FY 2026. Applications for federal funding will be submitted through the **Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA)**. Proposed projects in the MVD include **Richmond Highway Widening (\$20M)** and **Bus Rapid Transit (\$10M) projects**. *The full item can be read on page 242 - 246 of the Board Package.*

**Item 6:** Approved of **Fairfax Connector Service Changes** for implementation on **January 25, 2020**. Changes in the MVD include realigning **Route 395: Gambrill Park and Ride to the Pentagon** to provide express service from the Gambrill Park and Ride Lot only, and adding **new express service Route 396: Backlick North Park and Ride to the Pentagon**. *The full item can be read on page 275 - 298 of the Board Package.*

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### Public Hearings

#### Proposed Plan Amendment for Green Building – Energy Policy Plan Update

Approved a plan amendment which provides an increased emphasis on **energy efficiency and conservation efforts** as applied to green building certification for **nonresidential and multifamily residential proposals**. The Board also discussed several follow-on motions to the amendment, including:

- First, the **development and implementation of a climate adaptation and resilience plan** to reduce the adverse impacts of extreme weather events and other climate change effects, including **flooding and power outages** on local residents, businesses, and critical infrastructure; to include an analysis of the **effects of temperature and or precipitation changes and vulnerability to sea level rise**; and
- A review of the **county's green building policy** to include consideration of moving to a **higher LEED standard** and/or consideration for a **net zero energy standard**; and
- That the Board of Supervisors consider policies to **facilitate the attainment of**

**climate action, adaptation, and resiliency goals**, consistent with State Executive Order 24, increasing Virginia's resilience to sea level rise and natural hazards.

While I, and many of my Board colleagues, **support these follow-on motions**, we agreed to wait for the **Community-wide Energy and Climate Action Plan** process to get underway before formally starting the Adaptation and Resiliency Planning process. In addition, **County staff has committed to bringing an implementation plan** for this process to the Board **in the next 6 months**. *The full item can be read on page 470 - 472 of the Board Package.*

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## District Information & Upcoming Events

### Mount Vernon High School Holiday Market

Looking for that special holiday gift? Join Mount Vernon HS PTSA for its 2019 Annual Holiday Market on **Saturday, December 7, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

Support wonderful **local vendors**, many of whom are **makers of the products they'll be showcasing!** Lots of great gift ideas! Don't miss the opportunity to support local **#SmallBusinesses #ShopLocal** and make a difference!" [Read more...](#)



### Lorton Holiday Extravaganza & Craft Show

The **Lorton Holiday Extravaganza & Craft Show** at South County High School on **Saturday, December 7 from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.** kicks off the holiday season for families in **Lorton and surrounding areas**. Join the South County HS PTSO and **get into the spirit of the holidays** by finding those perfect gifts! [Read more...](#)

### 11th Annual Virginia Women's Business Conference

Hosted by **FCEDA**, JP Events & Consulting presents the **Eleventh Annual Virginia Women's Business Conference** on **Friday, December 6, 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.** This exciting full day event will feature seminars focusing on **women in business** and showcasing a unique vendor fair. [Read more...](#)

### Provide Your Input on Dog Parks

The **Fairfax County Park Authority** is accepting **community input on dog parks** (off-leash dog areas) **through Dec. 15** as part of a study to **assess current and future needs** and adopt strategies for planning and management. [Read more and take the survey...](#)

#### Events:

- Dec 4: [Community Meeting: Huntley Meadows Trail Alternative](#) - 6:30 p.m.
  - Dec 5: [County Real Estate Taxes Due](#)
  - Dec 5: [Supervisor Storck's Annual Holiday Open House](#) - 5:30 p.m.
  - Dec 9: [Citizen Information Meeting: Mount Vernon Memorial Trail](#) - 6:30 p.m.
  - Dec 10: [South County Federation Meeting](#) - 7:30 p.m.
  - Dec 14: [Kingstowne Library 2nd Saturday Book Sale](#) - 10 a.m.
  - Dec 18: [Mount Vernon Council of Citizens' Associations Meeting](#) - 7 p.m.
  - [And more...](#)
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## Holiday OPEN House

Please join **Supervisor Storck, his staff and members of the Mount Vernon District Boards Authorities and Commissions** for a **Holiday Open House**. Please consider bringing a new or gently used coat or blanket for the Syrian Coat/Blanket Drive.

Enjoy an evening of refreshments, get to know our staff and tour your district office.

**Where:** **Mount Vernon District Supervisor's Office**  
2511 Parkers Lane Mount Vernon VA 22306

**When:** **December 5, 2019**

**Time:** **5:30pm – 7:30pm**

RSVP [mtvernon@fairfaxcounty.gov](mailto:mtvernon@fairfaxcounty.gov)  
by November 27<sup>th</sup>  
Questions? call 703-780-7518



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